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Pie supper reminder

If you have volunteered to make a pie for the pie supper Friday night between the junior high and high school summer drama workshop presentations, Allison Johnston asks that you have your pie at the FHS cafeteria no later than 5:00 p.m. The pie supper cost will be by donation to benefit medical expenses for FHS graduate Andrew Merrell who was seriously injured in a car accident.

Mayor signs Prairie Acres letter of intent

The Friona city council met in regular session Monday July 13 with all members present, Mayor Rick White presiding.

The first agenda item was a public hearing on the city's water quality report. No member of the public was present.

Chief Isidro Jimenez gave the monthly activity report. They made 17 arrests, including 3 for felony. Officers made 145 traffic stops. Seven were for driving without a license. Two child abandonment arrests were made. In one instance officers found a three-year-old child at Lowe's unaccompanied. It made its way to the grocery store from the 600 block of Grand.

City manager Patricia Phipps and deputy city secretary Rosa Mendez will attend a legislative update conference in August in San Marcos.

Council approved a variance for Jaime Cigarroa for a carport at 1207 White. Gary Johnson, maintenance head

at Prairie Acres, addressed the council about the need for roofing in three areas at the nursing home. The city manager will post a bid notice in the Friona Star to receive bids for the roofing project.

Mayor Rick White was authorized by vote of the council to sign a letter of intent between Parmer Medical Center and Prairie Acres for the hospital's ownership takeover of Prairie Acres. The mayor also signed an agreement for operation of Prairie Acres/Heritage Estates to be assumed by Senior Health Services, Diakonos LLC effective August 1.

The council went into executive session about 7:15 p.m. for the annual evaluation of the city manager. The next meeting of the city council will be Monday August 10 at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers, 619 Main St. All council meetings are open to the public. For additional city business info see the Mayor's Minutes on page two.

Texas Sales Tax Holiday is Aug. 7-9

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds shoppers they can save money on certain items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 7-9.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales tax, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"As the father of three young children, I know back-to-school expenses can really put a strain on family budgets this time of year," Hegar said. "This is an opportunity for families to save some money and prepare for the start of the school year."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax-free can be found on the Comptroller's website at TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$87 million in state and local sales taxes during the sales tax holiday.

The tax holiday weekend has been an annual event since 1999.

Cheer Camp begins next week

Show your school spirit in style. Cheer Camp will be held July 20-22 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Friona High School Activity Center. If you are 4-years-old to 6th grade and love to cheer this is the place to be. Registration is \$30 per child. Forms are available at the FHS Administration building or entrants can register at the door on Monday. Forms must be turned in to Amber Drake or Cindy Moreno.



dana jameson photo

The high school summer drama cast has been working hard on their play, "Scapino" a long way off from Moliere. They will give their public performance Friday July 17 following the junior high play which begins at 6:00 p.m.

High school thespians present 'Scapino'

High school summer drama workshop actors will present "Scapino" A long way off from Moliere. The setting is the present in a café in Naples. The director is Erika Montana. The crew is Matthew Ratliff, Lindy Wiseman, Katherine Thompson, and Lino Tarango.

The high school public performance will be Friday July 17 following the junior high play, which begins at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for

adults and \$2 for students. A pie supper will be served between plays.

Cast members in order of appearance are: Samantha Campbell, Brooklynn Johnston, Haden Smiley, Tyler Etue, Sunny Bowden, Riley Tessneer, Lydia Alexander, Hollee Ratliff, Hadley White, Claudia Alexander, Holly Clark, Mary Kate Ratliff, Summer Tessneer, and Casey Bowden.



dana jameson photo

The 10th Annual Texas Cheeseburger Festival and Cook-off is set to kick off this Saturday at the Friona City Park. This little guy enjoyed a few bites of his mother's cheeseburger at last year's celebration of the quintessential American food. He may need his own cheeseburger this year. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy good food, music and fun.

It's Here!!! Cheeseburger Festival Time

If you have been waiting all year for a mouthwatering cheeseburger, your wait is over. The 10th Annual Texas Cheeseburger Festival is this Saturday, July 18 at the Friona City Park, 700 Main Street. Twelve teams are ready to put their best cheeseburger forward.

Cook-off teams need to be at the City Park at 7 a.m. to set up their camp. At 8 a.m. an orientation, rules and food safety presentation will be held by AgriLife Extension agent Shana Fleming. Each team will receive a free meat thermometer from Fleming.

Judging begins at 11 a.m. and cheeseburgers will go on sale to the public at 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Each team will prepare 200 burgers. The teams will be provided beef, buns, cheese, lettuce, onion, tomatoes and ice. Teams must provide their own yummy secret ingredients.

Teams competing in this year's heated competition are: J&L Good Grubs, Amarillo; Underwood Law Firm, Amarillo; Diamond C Cross, Amarillo; Cargill Meat Solutions, Friona; returning champs Xcel Energy, Hereford; Keeping up with the Jones, Hereford; Sweet Bran, Bovina; Atmos Energy, Am-

arillo; First National Bank, Friona; CWG Burger Builders, Lubbock; Southwest Cheese, Clovis; and Wolverine Diner, Texico.

The event is sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture and for \$7 you will receive four tickets. Each ticket is worth a quarter of a cheeseburger. If you want a whole cheeseburger from one team just give the cheeseburger cook-off team all four tickets. If you want to try different cook-off team offerings, you can give the team a ticket for each quarter.

Winners will be named at 2:30 with the top dog cheeseburger team earning \$1,000 and \$300 for second place.

The "People's Choice" award will also be given to the team that collects the most dollar bills. One dollar equals one vote with the money going to the Parmer County Cancer Coalition.

Friona Noon Lions will be cooking their "World Famous" French fries. Other vendors will be selling homemade ice cream, household cleaning supplies, shaved ice, pickles and jewelry to name just a few. W.T. Services will be giving away free water. Friona InterBank will be giving away free watermelon during the event.

DJ Jack Light from Amarillo will be spinning tunes

from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. At 1 p.m. a "Cheeseburger Eating Contest" will be held near the music trailer. The winner of the contest will win \$50 in Friona Bucks.

Chris Alexander, Chamber Executive Vice President, said, "We have so many people to thank for their generous donations and their time."

Donations of beef were made by Cargill Meat Solutions; cheese from Hilmar Cheese in Dalhart and Southwest Cheese in Clovis, NM; Frisbees from Dairy Max; chips from Hub City Convenience Stores; vegetables (lettuce, tomatoes, onions) from Lowes in Friona; condiments from Ben E. Keith; ice cream from Atmos Energy; goodie bags from Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas

Beef Council; Gogurt from Southwest Dairy; a flat bed trailer from Ronnie Stevick; and buns from Affiliated Foods in Amarillo and Friona Chamber of Commerce.

A special thanks is extended to Vet Industries for storing the 600 lbs. of cheese for the festival in their cooler.

Something new this year there will be an ATM machine available in the park to the public courtesy of Happy State Bank.

The Minute Men Car and Bike Show will be going on during the Festival as well as a Sidewalk Sale featuring the following merchants: Interior Expressions, Milk House Market, Glamour & Décor; Malouf's, Ivy Cottage, Creative Chaos & Chaotic Tees and Friona Friends of the Library Book Shoppe.



Minute Men Car and Bike Show Saturday

The Friona Firefighters Association is hosting the Minute Men Car and Bike Show during the 10th Annual Texas Cheeseburger Festival and Cook-off on Saturday, July 18.

Entry in the show is \$50, which will go to benefit the Friona Volunteer Fire Department.

Categories for the show include: Classics (pre-1990), Classic Modified, Late Model (post 1990), Modified, Sport, and Cruiser Bikes.

The Car and Bike Show will be located on Euclid Street between the Primary and Elementary Schools.

"We are expecting 50+ cars and bikes," stated event coordinator Riley Rector.

Entrants should start registering at the Friona Volunteer Fire Station at 623 Main at 8 a.m. and registration will stop at 1 p.m. After registering, the entry will be escorted down 8th Street to Euclid Street. Judging will



begin at 1 p.m.

First and second place will be named in each category. Prizes and trophies will be awarded. First place winners in each class will be awarded free entry into the following year's show. All first place entries will be considered for the Fireman's Choice award. The winner of the Fireman's

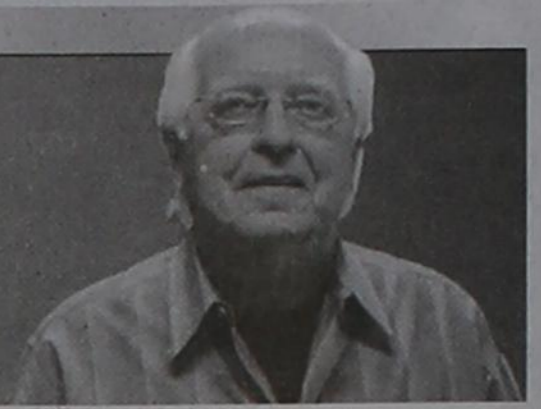
Choice award will receive an engraved axe designed by a local artist.

Local firefighters will also be selling tickets for a four-wheeler and trailer that will be given away at the Maize Days Celebration.

For more information, contact Riley Rector at (806) 928-1123 or Shannon Reed at (575) 309-7955.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



July 17

Pie Supper for Andrew Merrell @FHS between JH and HS productions

July 18

10th Annual Cheeseburger Festival-11 a.m. at City Park

2015 Minute Men Car & Bike Show-Judging at 1 p.m.

July 19

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Jamaica in Muleshoe

July 20

Newschannel 10 in Bovina at 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

July 20-22

FHS Chieftain Football Camp from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

July 25

Bordertown Days in Farwell

July 25-26

7th Annual H.K. Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament @ John Pitman Golf Club in Hereford

July 26

St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina Annual Jamaica

July 27-31

Vacation Bible School at Prairie Acres-Daily at 10 a.m.

FHS 2015 Juniors Volleyball and Basketball Camps

August 1

Bulltown Days in Bovina

August 2

St. Teresa's Annual Jamaica in Friona @ 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

August 7-9

Texas Sales Tax Holiday

August 15

Deadline for All-School Reunion

Friona vs. Panhandle-There-Scrimmage

Varsity-11:30 a.m. J.V.-10 a.m.

August 21

Friona vs. Soudown-Home-Scrimmage

Varsity-6:30 p.m. J.V.-5 p.m.

August 28

Friona vs. Olton-Home-7:30 p.m.-Senior Night

September 4

Friona vs. Abernathy-Home-7:30 p.m.

September 7

LABOR DAY

September 11

Friona vs. Tulia-There-7:30 p.m.

September 12

Miss Friona/Little Miss pageants

First Baptist Church hosting simulcast of Beth Moore.

who can we offend today

Johnny Yuma was a Rebel. I guess I didn't pay close enough attention in school because I did not realize until now that the Confederate Flag, or Rebel Flag, was a racist symbol. Now I find out the flag is somehow representative of slavery and racism.

You have to be near my age to remember that song and the television show The Rebel, starring Nick Adams. The show was in black and white and on the air from 1959 - 1961. Adams portrayed a Confederate soldier wandering the land after the civil war. He wore a Confederate uniform, cap, and carried a shotgun. In the show he was a writer but seemed to get into a gun battle or fight every week. In one episode Dan Blocker played a bad guy. Adams palled around with James Dean and Elvis. He was born in Mason City, Texas and

died of a drug overdose in 1968.

I was vaguely aware of the opposition to flying the Rebel Flag over the state capital in Columbia, South Carolina but didn't pay it much attention. To me it represented the South where I was born and raised, although Texas is not as much South as Georgia and Mississippi, we are still southerners.

"Save your Confederate money boys the South's gonna rise again!" I heard that saying many times during my younger years. I was proud of being from the South and made fun of many Yankees during my lifetime. Of course it was all in jest, or so I thought.

What is called the Confederate Flag was actually the battle flag of the northern Virginia Army. Somehow it became a symbol of the South and the Confederates. The Confederate flag is not the flag of some political party or other movement. It is history and not all history is perfect. I do not criticize South

Carolina for lowering the flag from the capitol pole. Had the nine good folks not been murdered it would still be flying. My concern is the epidemic backlash across the country by people that knew nothing about the flag yet joined in the madness because it was the thing to do.

Now certain "offended" people want statues of Confederate generals taken down and what, destroyed? There are statues all over the south of Confederate soldiers. Like it or not it is a part of the history of the south.

The most disgusting suggestion so far, some people are campaign-

ing to have the bodies of Confederate soldiers and generals dug up and moved. When will this unguided hysteria stop? When politicians and those in charge get the backbone to say 'enough is enough.'

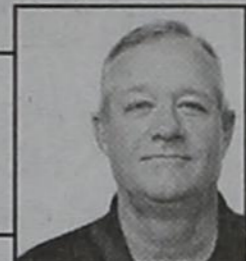
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Mayor's Minutes

by Ricky White

Greeting's...the great rain continues to fall and we are very blessed and thankful for all of the moisture we receive. I want to continue to express how important it is to continue to keep the weeds under control. There has been a noticeable difference in weed control along highway 60 and would like to say thank you for keeping your storefronts mowed and looking good.

Something I have noticed and has been brought to my attention is garage sales on the weekend. Garage sales are great and we want everyone to have a safe when they want to. All we ask is that you remove your advertisements once the garage sale is complete. There are poster boards left on telephone poles, boxes laying on the ground on street corners with rocks in them to keep from blowing away and other means of advertisement that need to be removed. Please be courteous and a good neighbor by removing the advertisement. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Public Works employees are staying very busy mowing all of the state parks, Redeemer Center, City Park, cemetery, sewer plants and water plants. The employees have done a good job keeping up with mowing with all of the rain we have received. They did a great job getting

the area around the pound mowed and looking good for July 4th celebration. They will do it all over again for the Cheeseburger Festival.

The plan was to have the corner just north of the Post Office completed before the Cheeseburger Festival activities began. This will not happen due to the amount of work being done by the Public Works employees. With all the rain, they have been tied up mowing more than normal, which has limited their time spent on finishing the corner. The corner is taking shape and looking very good. Once completed, it will be a fantastic improvement. Please be patient.

Judge Campbell had 56 new cases in June and no new juvenile cases filed. There were 64 cases disposed, some of which were a carryover from previous month. Court costs totaled \$4,559.60 and \$11,087.65 in fines was collected.

Emergency Medical Services were super busy in June. They responded to 37 total calls, 18 calls for 911, 10 calls for transfers and 9 calls ended in a no transfer. The payments collected equaled \$23,017.81.

The Volunteer Fire Department responded to 7 emergency calls. There were 5 calls that involved fires and 2 calls involving wrecks.

The swimming pool is back in action and Kendall Kimbrough and staff are doing a very good job keeping the kids safe as they enjoy themselves swimming. There were \$4,735.75 in proceeds collected with a total of 494 adults and 733 children swimming in the month of June.

Chief Jimenez and the police department responded to 329 total calls in June. There were 145 stops made, 114 warnings issued, 56 citations handed out and 17 arrests (7 arrests for no drivers licenses, 1 arrest for assault on a public servant, 2 arrests for abandonment of a child, 4 warrants issued, 2 arrest for assault-family violence, and 1 arrest for reckless driving). There were a total of 2887 miles traveled in June protecting and keeping our city safe.

The city sold 12,200,000 gallon of water and collected \$60,984.04. There were a total of 1435 accounts billed. We want to continue to use water where we need to and preserve water where we can. With the rain received in June, our water usage is down.

The city accounts payable were \$146,066.91 for June. The money covers all of the city expenses and keeps our city in good standing.

Friona Public Library was open for 21 days in June and had a total of 3220 patrons

visit the library. Darla Bracken and the library staff have done a great job with creating programs and motivating the kids to read many books through the summer. I thoroughly enjoyed the program I attended and had the pleasure of visiting with the summer readers about the responsibilities of a "Mayor" and being a good citizen. I was very impressed with the questions asked from

such young people. Lastly, the City Council authorized the Mayor to sign the new management agreement with Senior Health Strategies, a division of Diakonos Group, LLC for Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates. Beginning September 1, 2015, Diakonos Group, LLC will be managing Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates.

Your Mayor

Letters to the Editor

In remarks on the Senate floor today, U.S. Sen. John Cornyn (R-TX) spoke about his amendment to the Every Child Achieves Act, which allows states and local schools to use Title I funds to pay for efficiency reviews, allowing schools to better serve students without expending additional resources. The amendment is based on a successful model employed by the Texas Comptroller's Office, which has allowed the state to improve student achievement while keeping expenditures low.

"This amendment builds on an incredibly successful program in Texas, one that brings greater accountability to our schools and helps them discern how they can make each dollar go just a little bit further."

"There is a broadly-held fallacy that the quality of educational outputs is equal to how much money you put into it. In other words, if you want a better product educationally, all you have to do is spend more money."

"There is a smarter, more efficient way to deal with that, and that's what the financial allocation study is designed to achieve: to measure academic achievement relative to spending."

"With the eventual passage of Every Child Achieves Act, we can make sure that school districts all across the country are using their dollars for what they are really intended: classroom education, not stuck back in the back-office bureaucracy."

"I'm very proud of the good progress we've made across a number of issues this year so far. Passing anti-human trafficking laws... we passed a budget for the first time since 2009 that balances in ten years. And, yes, we worked with the President of the United States on a bipartisan basis to pass Trade Promotion Authority."

"Next week, we will conclude this Every Child Achieves Act by reforming our early and elementary childhood education system to get more of the power, get more of the authority out of Washington and back to parents, teachers, and the states where it really belongs."

Senator John Cornyn

"I care about one thing and one thing only and that is how to use every minute of the remaining 1,276 days of my term to make the country work for working Americans again. That's all I care about."
President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

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50 resident of TX
51 director of "JFK" (init.)

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Town Talk II

By Ron Carr • Phone: 250-2211 • Fax: 250-5127 • Email: frionastar@wtrt.net

Holy hades it has been hot. Where did all of that nice rain go? For now we will be bumping 100 degrees every day into next week. When you come to the Cheeseburger Festival Saturday you might want to bring your folding chairs and find a shady spot cause it is going to be hot. Be sure to stop by the Noon Lions booth for a boatload of world famous French fries too.

If you are bringing a pie to the pie supper at the high school Friday night Allison Johnston asks that you have the pie at the FHS cafeteria by 5:00 p.m. Thank you!

There are a lot of grandkids in town for the summer drama workshops. Good to see so many out-of-town kids here sharpening their thespian skills but most of all having a bundle of fun. The junior high and high school plays will be Friday July 17 at 6:00 p.m. and the elementary play is Saturday July 18 at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Tommy Brockman has sold his Brockman Sales business. Someone local

has bought the building and a parts business in Spearman has bought his inventory. More on the use of the building later on. His closing date is July 31.

At the city council meeting Monday night Alan Monroe said his son-in-law J'Lond Jarecki was seriously injured with burns to his hands, arms, and face in a fireworks accident July 4. He was in the burn unit in Lubbock for treatment. We wish J'Lond and family a speedy and full recovery.

The very first issue of the Friona Star was published on July 31, 1925, by then editor John W. "Uncle John" White. In a couple of weeks, on July 31, 2015, the Friona Star will be 90 years-old. Uncle John was the editor and writer for many years. He passed away in 1965. Local residents John Fred and Linda White are descendants of Uncle John and still had many of his original typed stories and columns stored away. This week Linda brought me a box of Uncle John's original columns, typed on the original paper. I am excited, and reverent, to get to look through his writings

and experience Friona history first hand. Thank you, thank you Linda. What a treat. I will be reprinting some of Uncle John's columns in the days ahead.

Calvary Baptist Vacation Bible School is July 20-23 from 9:00 a.m. to noon for children in grades K - 6. All children are welcome to attend.

I scooped up some anniversaries. How about Clarence & Peggy Monroe 57 years, Celia & Earl Quintana 40 years, David & Emma Davila 31 years, Deirdre & Mark Osborn 30 years, Chuck & Susan Teague 26 years, Stephanie & Billy Williams 11 years, Jim & Briana Anderson 5 years. Don't be left out. If you or someone you know has an anniversary coming up let us know. Congratulations to all of these folks.

About 8:30 p.m. Thursday July 9 just west of town on Highway 60 a westbound truck headed to Cargill jackknifed, crossed the median and slammed into the trailer of an eastbound truck. The impact knocked the axle off the trailer and turned it on its side in the south bar ditch. It was loaded with toi-

let paper. Friona firemen and EMS plus Sheriff's deputies and DPS troopers worked the scene, closing eastbound Hwy 60 and diverting traffic. One of the drivers was transported to PMC by Friona EMS. The overturned trailer was not moved until the next afternoon by K3 Towing. Could have been a lot worse if it had hit a passenger car. Photo on this page.

We have been advised that counterfeit \$10 bills have been found at the local banks this week. Be vigilant when receiving cash money.

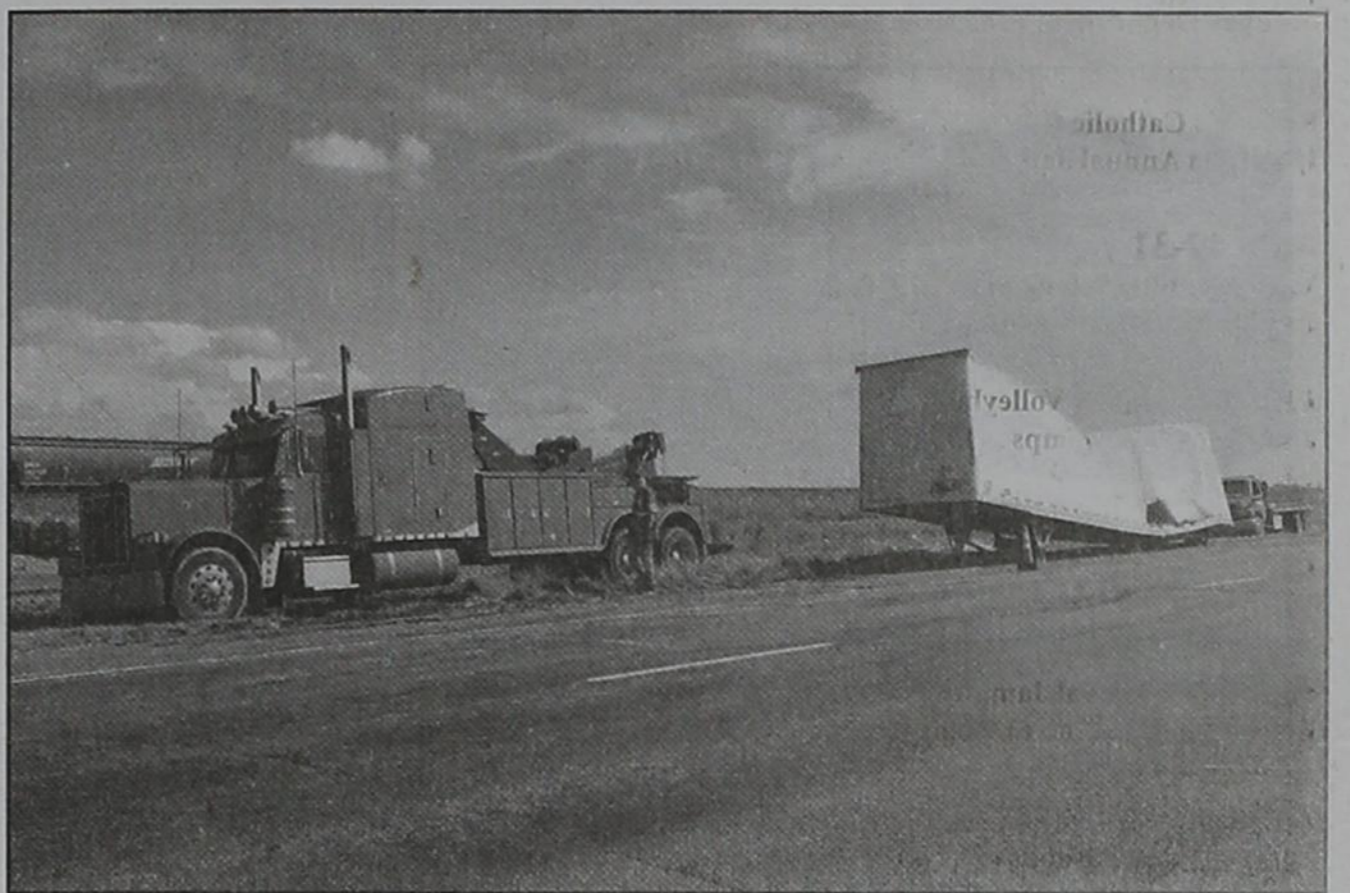
Friona's football camp starts Monday. The boys can register the first day

or get a form at the high school office. Also Monday, News Channel 10 from Amarillo will be broadcasting from the Bovina city park. There will be live newscasts, games, and food for anyone that attends.

During his report to the city council Monday night Police Chief Isidro Jimenez told of finding a three year old child at Lowe's unaccompanied. Investigation showed the child had made its way to the store from an address in the 600 block of Grand. A citation was issued for child abandonment. It is summer, kids are out and about so drive carefully.

In looking through some old Friona Stars back in the 1960s we found an interesting article. The very first Miss Friona was crowned in 1948. Her name was Jean Schultz, better known today as Jean Terry. Mrs. Terry was married to the late John Terry. Lunell McFarland Horton was also an entrant in the first contest. Planning will soon be underway to crown Miss Friona of 2015. Info about entering is available at the Chamber of Commerce.

Looking forward to the weekend. Camera battery is charged. Hope everyone has fun. See you soon. Until then!



ron carr photo

Employees of K3 Towing were preparing to tow this trailer that was damaged in a Thursday night accident on Highway 60 just west of town. A westbound truck going to Cargill jackknifed across the median and slammed into the trailer of an east bound truck, knocking off the rear axle and overturning the trailer which was loaded with toilet paper. One driver was transported to PMC by Friona EMS. Friona firemen also responded, the highway was closed and eastbound traffic diverted. K3 Towing took the trailer Friday afternoon.

Country Thoughts

dana jameson

Milestones, pebbles or rocks

Another milestone, pebble or just plain old rock is being met this weekend. My youngest son, Josh, will be half my age.

I did this a few years ago when my oldest son, Tyler, turned 25. I turned 50 that year. He made sure that everyone that was within hearing distance knew that I was now HALF A CENTURY OLD. When he turned 25 a few months later, I made sure that everyone knew he was a QUARTER OF A CENTURY OLD.

Josh will be 27 on Saturday and the Chamber of Commerce was so nice to help him celebrate by having the Cheeseburger Festival the same day. (Not really)

Last year the festival was on my birthday. (I prefer to think it was just for me!)

It seems like these little coincidences happen all the time.

When Tyler was a little guy, he thought that the parades at Maize Days were for his birthday. His birthday is September 18 and some years it fell on that Saturday of Maize Days.

Isn't it funny how we associate dates with special times in our life?

I remember thinking that if my mother had given birth to me a few weeks early I could have had fireworks AND parades for my birthday. I later found out that she did go into labor on July 4th but it was too early and the doctor gave her something for the pain. I guess I liked the meds so much I decided to wait 15 days before making my appearance in the world.

Okay, have you done your math? How old

(or young) am I?

Old enough to know better but not too old not to care!

Age is a state of mind. I am just not sure what state my mind is in.

I found some quotes about aging that touched my 20+-year-old heart. Enjoy!

Mark Twain said, "Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter."

Sophia Loren said, "There is a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and the lives of people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will truly have defeated age."

Lucille Ball said, "The secret to staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age."

George Burns said, "You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old!"

Jennifer Yane stated, "Inside every older person is a younger person wondering what happened."

"If you don't do a lot of stupid things when you are young, you won't have funny things to talk about when you are old," Anonymous.

"Old age is not so bad when you consider the alternative," Maurice Chevalier said.

"How old would you be if you didn't know how old you were?" questioned Satchel Paige.

I think I like the age I am right now. I have made many mistakes and I am sure there are more in my future. Nevertheless, I made it this far, let's see what comes next.

Friona Flashbacks

Little words of wisdom...Historically speaking

By Carol Ellis

While enjoying a juicy watermelon over the Fourth of July holiday, one of my adult children reminded me that when they were small, I used to tell them not to swallow the watermelon seeds or they might sprout in their tummies and the vines would grow out their ears.

What atrocious things we tell our children! Most of these were handed down to us from our mothers and grandmothers who used colorful little "white lies" to encourage their children to behave correctly. That was way before any parents ever knew anything about "time outs" and "getting grounded."

Here's some you might remember: "You'd lose your head if it wasn't tied on..." "You can't fool me—I've got eyes in the back of my head..." "You know just about enough to be dangerous..." "If you had a brain, you'd take it out and play with it..." "I've talked to you about that until I'm blue in the face."

It's a wonder any of us ever grew up with the ability to think for ourselves, or have an ounce of creativity left by the time we reached voting age. I have wondered about the free-thinking individuals who came up with such indispensable items as the ball-point pen, the zipper, the flushing toilet, scotch tape, the safety pin, the screwdriver and the toothpick, all the while his or her mother was saying "If you don't quit wasting time with such foolishness as that you'll never amount to a hill of beans."

We were in jeopardy of

growing up to look like freaks after being told: "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach..." "Keep a stiff upper lip..." "Drinking coffee will stunt your growth..." "Little pitchers have big ears..." "Don't look like that or your face will freeze that way!"... "Chew with your mouth closed; you eat like a horse."

The ultimate guilt trip from the 1930s to the '60s went something like this: "You're not the only pebble on the beach..." "Pride goeth before the fall..." "When I talk to you, it just goes in one ear and out the other..." "You'd try the patience of Job..." "Quit squirming around like a worm in hot ashes" (this was usually issued in a loud whisper during church service)..."Someday your chickens will come home to roost..." "You'll be the death of me yet..." "You'd cut off your nose to spite your face..." "Don't strain at a nat and swallow a camel..." "Don't talk to your mother in that tone of voice."

But the topper of them all was "What will the neighbors think?"

After youngsters found out about Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, and the Tooth Fairy, we didn't for a minute believe our Moms when they said "This is going to hurt me worse than it does you" or "What I say to you goes in one ear and out the other."

Today we could blame our yo-yo dieting-and-gorging habits on growing up with such conflicting messages as: "Always leave a little on your plate for Mr. Manners" followed by: "Don't throw out

your food; there are starving children in China." I would have gladly boxed up the garbage by adopted mother called "a meal" and sent that off to those poor little kids in China.

My husband, as a boy, grew up under the country wisdom of his Granny who was the "Queen of Metaphors." She had a funny remark for every aspect of life, such as: skinny as a rail, tough as nails, white as a sheet, black as the ace of spades, lying like a dog, or honest as the day is long. Grandma, herself, was always more fun than a barrel of monkeys. She also threw in: clear as a bell, cool as a cucumber, fresh as a daisy, tight as a drum, and easy as pie.

Well, pie may have been easy for Grandma Ellis, but it took me a few years to learn how to make one. Any time I asked for her recipe, she would laugh. She never used a recipe for anything. I sat at her kitchen table taking notes and watching her cook until I finally learned how. Bill was patient with my pitiful culinary abilities and we traveled Highway 214 to Muleshoe nearly every weekend to enjoy those wonderful Sunday dinners. I came to the conclusion that "easy as pie" referred to the eating of, rather than the making of.

Those of us who can remember using some or many of the old "sayings" mentioned here are probably "old as the hills by now, and wrinkled as a prune, with a face like a road map." Apologies to all my old pals. We now call ourselves "Seniors."

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Panhandle Parables

Peacocks in the Panhandle

By JEFF PROCTER,
Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

I have many memories of my granddad's farm. Pop's farm was about 5 miles northwest of town. When my granddad bought it there were corrals, some out buildings and a home place. By the time I arrived on the scene Pop & Gram had moved to town and a hard worker, named Victor and his family lived on the home place.

Victor kept lots of chickens, and various other birds, but the most impressive was his peacocks. There were two males and about 4 or 5 females. They were amazing birds. They were beautiful especially the males with their long tail feathers.

One of the adventures we enjoyed was hunting for those tail feathers. We learned that it was easier to collect them after the feathers had fallen from the peacock, so we would hunt.

When you found one there was no mistaking it for some other kind of feather. The beautiful, gold, teal, greens and blues with a distinctive eye in the center. It was a treasure of which we had many. They were fun to pick up, but the ultimate was to see the male peacock in its radiant display. Something we never grew tired of seeing.

Searching for God, seeking His presence is a fundamental part of our spiritual existence. I am often amazed when in that pursuit of Him, I catch glimpses. Like feathers, distinctly God, without question Him, but not the full version. Although seeing His full glory won't be till Jesus returns, I am thankful for His faithfulness in giving me the glimpses, the feathers, the unmistakable marks of the King.

The believers whose actions reflect the character of Jesus, a sunset, mountain scene, a kind word, or... You will know when God gives you that glimpse. My encouragement to you is to seek those glimpses and be those glimpses for others that they may experience Jesus through your actions and your words.

"Thank you Lord, for those peacocks in the Panhandle and all the other glimpses of Your greatness."

OBITUARY

Gerald Francis Koelzer

Gerald Francis Koelzer, 73, of Wheeler, TX, died Wednesday, July 1, 2015, in Amarillo. Memorial services were held Monday, July 6, 2015 at First United Methodist Church in Wheeler. Inurnment followed in the Wheeler Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Peppers Family Funeral Home in Wheeler.

Koelzer was born April 14, 1942 in Hereford to the late Bernard Nicholas Koelzer and Elizabeth Jesko Koelzer. He graduated high school in Lazbuddie. On May 26, 1977, he married Barbra Allison Koelzer in Dalhart. Koelzer was the founder of Arrow Water Well, Inc. He retired in 2008.

He was a member of the Wheeler Lions Club and attended First United Methodist Church of Wheeler. He loved working with wood and metal and was a bricklayer. Jerry was a jack-of-all-trades and a master of most.

Koelzer was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, B.J. Koelzer and Dan Koelzer.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Vincent Koelzer



and wife Amy, Greg Koelzer, and Shane Guest and wife Lisa, all of Wheeler; three daughters, Valencia Meier and husband Peter of Friona, Sherree Tevebaugh and husband Jess of Bowley, OK, and Tracy Coots of Robstown; eleven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, David Koelzer of Satana, KS and James Koelzer of Dalhart; and three sisters, Dorothy Blankenship of Amarillo, Evelyn Blankenship of Hereford and Judy Koelzer of Friona.

The family suggests memorials to be made to First United Methodist Church, 704 Main Street, Wheeler, TX, 79096.

Opposing God

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

When we are richly blessed with rain and the green all around we are also often blessed with mosquitoes. These tiny critters are a nuisance to all, with their stinging bites and bloody trails, yet I am thankful for products like OFF.

OFF is good for repelling mosquitoes, yet many people, even Christians, have clothed themselves with a God-repellant.

This God-repellant is not a spray, candle or a wristband, but is pride.

James 4:6 says "God opposes the proud, but He gives grace to the humble." Those who clothe themselves with pride, have opposed God in such a way as to put a spiritual block between them and God.

Although pride has a multitude of ways it shows itself, the end result is disastrous. Just ask Pharaoh, King Saul, or Jezebel and they would tell you today that their defiance against God due to their pride set them on a path for calamity.

Pride is a problem, a sin to be repented of, not a baby to be coddled.

Humility is the opposite of pride, and is having the mindset of Christ. Those who humble themselves before the Lord are drawn near to Him and brought into His presence and power.

St. Teresa's Jamaica Aug. 2

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Matthew 11:28-30

Speak Truth in Love

By TEENA HUGHS

Have you ever had James 4:12b, "Who are you to judge your neighbor?" thrown at you?

I have, and I didn't like it. It was because of an immoral act someone committed; something God's Word says is wrong. My decisions and actions were based on His Word, but that didn't matter. Some people thought I was wrong to think consequences should result because of this person's actions. So, I was deemed "judgmental." Everyone is entitled to their opinion, but just like them, I am accountable to God, and since I knew what His Word said on this particular act, I was obligated to not overlook it.

We make decisions, choices, judgment calls, or whatever you want to call them, every day. Some situations are black and white, making it easy to decide the consequences of the action. However, there are those grey situations where it is really tough to know what to do.

For example, the Bible says in Exodus 20:15, "You must not steal." Say someone steals from you. Do you send them to jail or not? If they steal to feed their family, it makes the decision more difficult; but, if they steal for fun or meanness, the decision is much easier to make. In either case the person made the wrong choice and took matters into their own hands rather than trusting and seeking God to help them feed their family or resist the temptation to take something that wasn't theirs.

Today, Christians are under total assault for believing God's Word, making it tougher to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 19:19b). Christians have gone overboard with "loving" and being respectful of others, but they have remained quiet, and that is why we have many problems today. It is so important to know God's Word, so that when we find ourselves in those situations where we are being labelled "judgmental" and not loving, we can speak truth in love. It is tough, but God will provide the necessary words and a calm voice. People will not begin to change unless they hear the truth!

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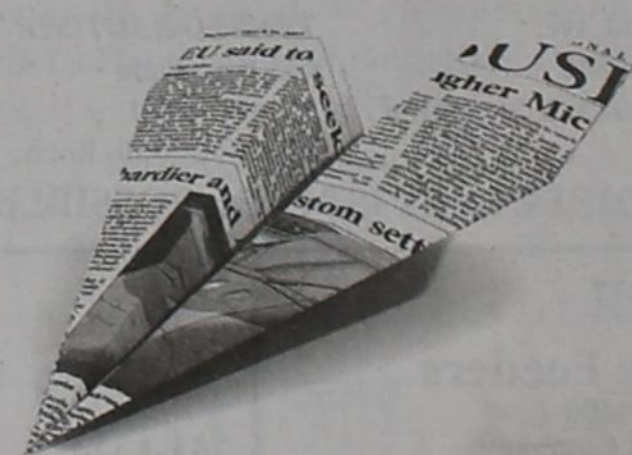
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Bidders are expected to inspect the property and to inform themselves of all local conditions. Additional information may be obtained at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or by calling City Manager Patricia Phipps at (806) 250-2761.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A BID TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE CITY FOR SELECTING A BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY AND ANY OF ITS COUNCIL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked "City of Friona Real Property Bid" in the lower left hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. By such signature, the bidder agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for bids. Failure to comply with any bid requirement will result in the bid being considered void by the City.

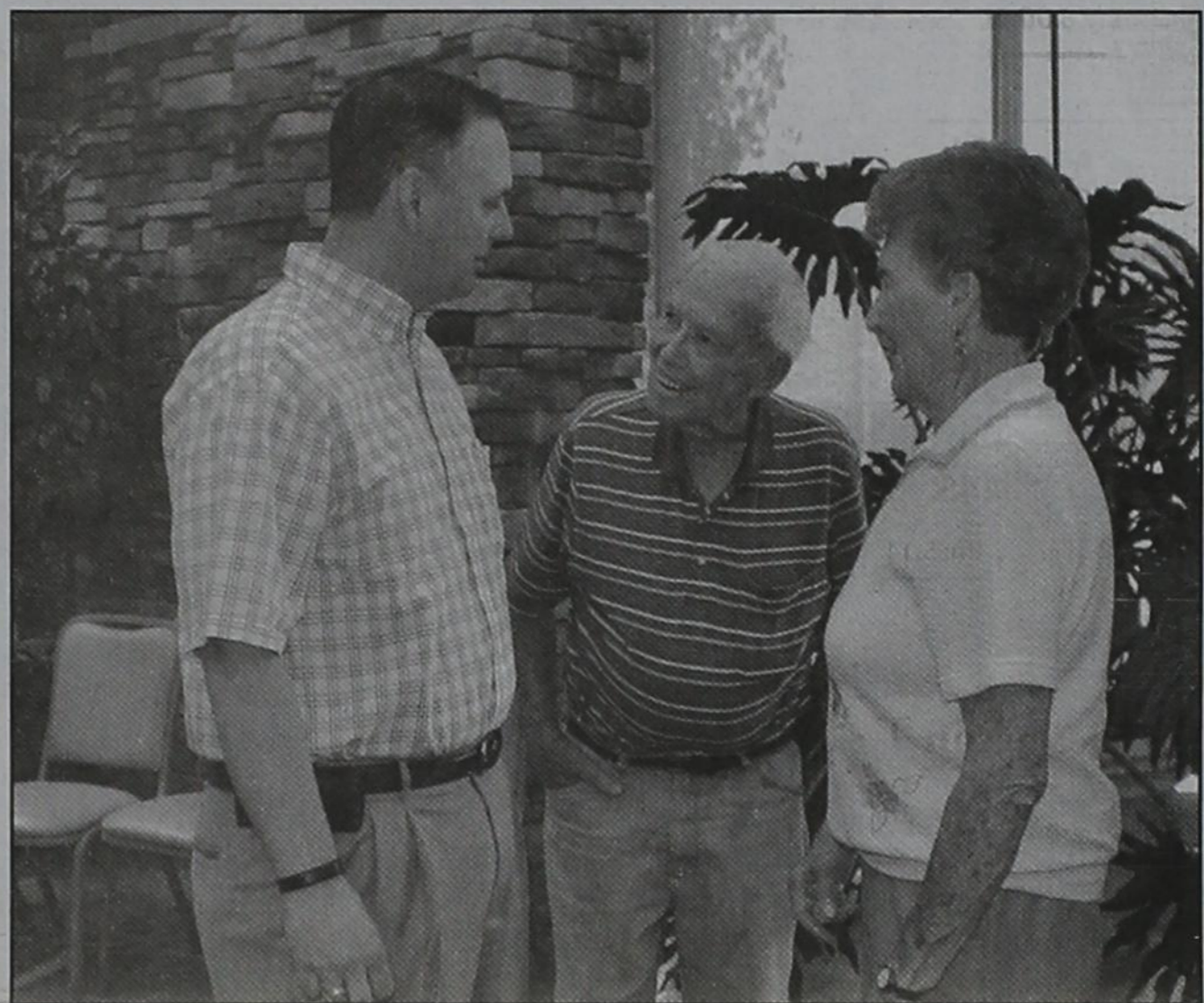
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The City reserves the rights to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids received and to accept the bid that best serves the interest of Friona, Texas.

City of Friona, Texas
By: Patricia Phipps
City Manager



Goodbye Dr. Dickson! Dr. Jeff Dickson spent his last day, Wednesday, July 15, at Parmer Medical Center being wished well on his move to College Station, TX. Above, Dr. Felipe Jubay, left, and PMC Board Member Dr. Dale Schueler, right, pose with Dickson one last time. Below, Dr. Dickson talks with longtime Friona residents Dave and Norma Thompson.



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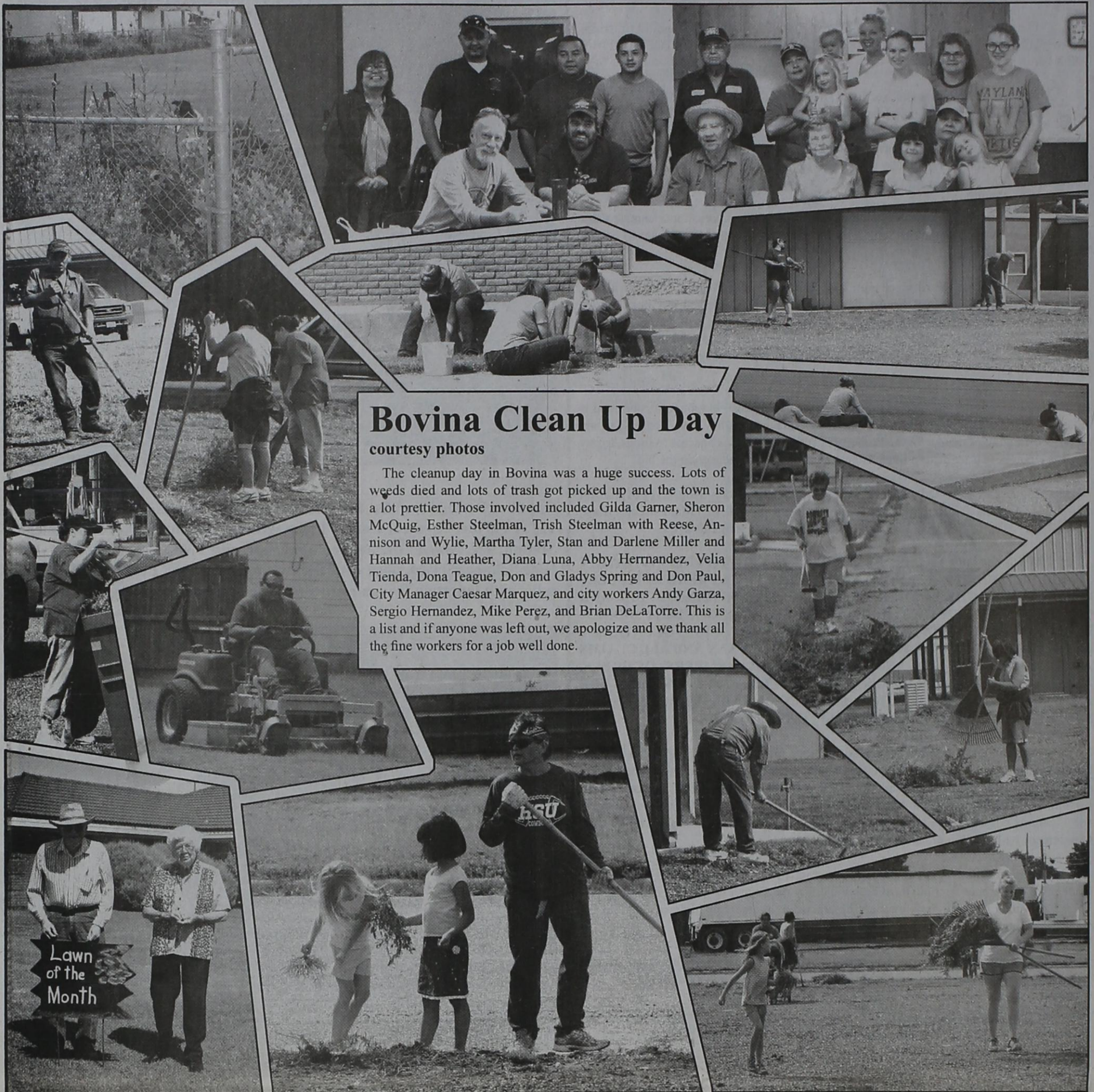
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Scenes from Summer Drama Workshop

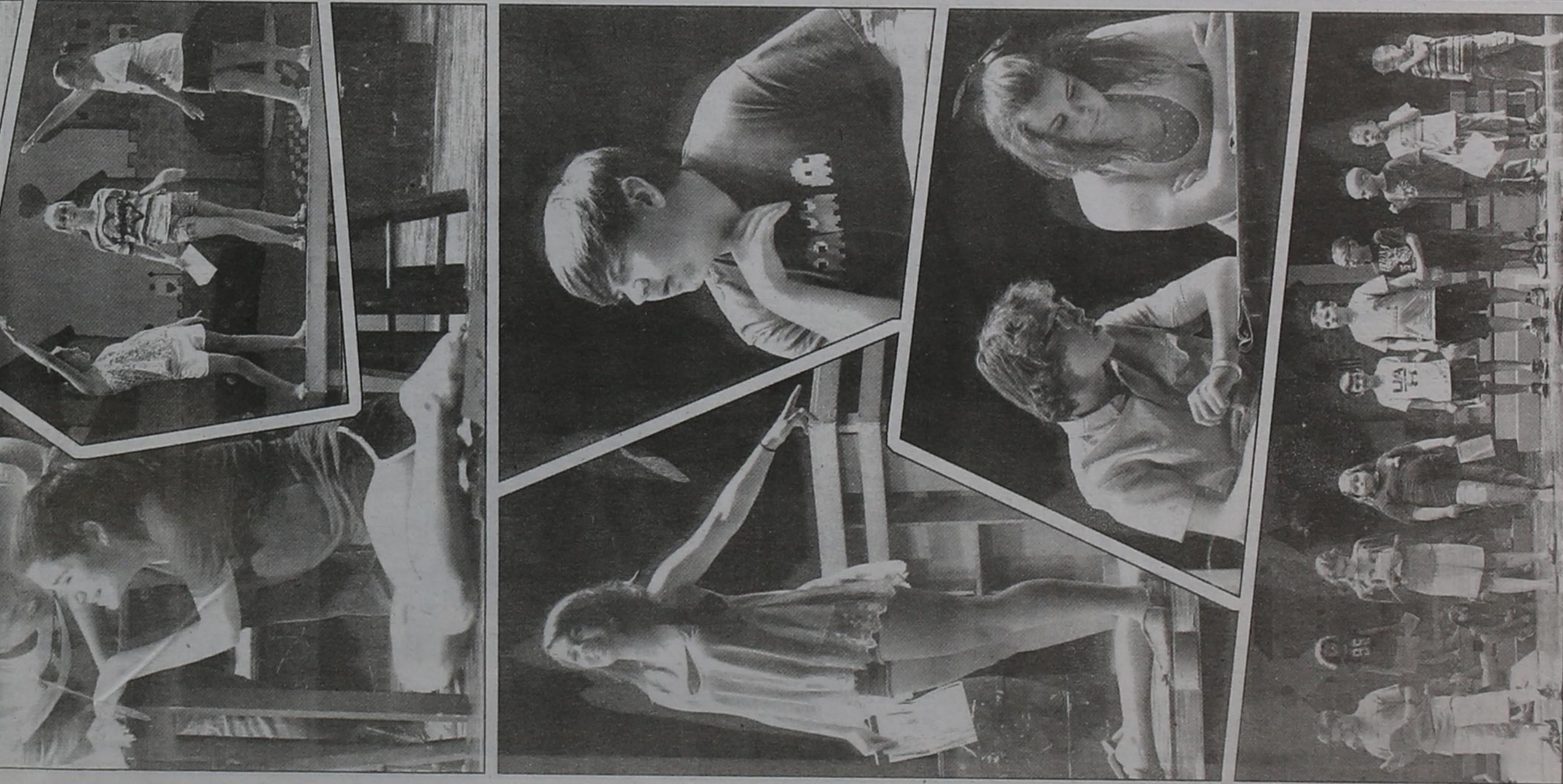


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JULY 18



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Library Corner

By Darla Bracken



The House by the side of the road



"Let me live by the side of the road and be a friend to man." Sam Walter Foss, 1858-1911

Do you know a house by the side of the road, a silent sentinel now, or the family who once lived and prospered there?

No longer do the folks come running to the porch to greet their friends and neighbors there

Or chase the chickens from the yard, or milk the cow or hang a wash to dry...

And it has been a while since the farm machinery had its place in the barn or in the fields nearby

Yet the fields are not fallow, their legacy lives on; it's just this old house that somehow lingers on...

But if these walls could talk, would they make us laugh or cry?

Still a home to families of the soft and furry kind: foxes and their kits and maybe a rabbit or two

But no longer to the human kind who once graced its wooden frame

We still know them though many now have gone, but there's value in a name.

No longer can we see the glory of their lake, a divided ghost remains;

Or play baseball in their field where once so many played their games.

But it takes 'a heap of livin'* in a house to make it home-

Babies coming and young'uns playing in the yard under the trees

Even those who lived and died somehow enrich our memories.

And if these walls could talk would they make us laugh or cry?

Or tell of the 'heap of livin' that the family weathered there.

A family of a friendly sort with kind and neighborly ways

And though a hundred years have passed since

first they Plowed and planted prairie sod With hardworking, faithful hands and their faith in God, Their name still lives in the little town that first drew them in To live and make their homes amongst their kith and kin Their work: to live, to farm, to teach Stayed well within their grasp, no heights too far to reach But if these walls could talk would they make us laugh or cry?

And though it's sad to see it go because of its familiar place In hearts and minds of those we love, the family occupies that space. Many descendants still full of life and grace. Their stories will all live on in our hearts and souls and minds With many a joy but heartaches too; yes, memories of all kinds For it is not the house, but the people that make the home, But if these walls could talk, would they make us laugh or cry?

*Home by Edgar A. Guest, 1881-1951

New arrivals on the bookshelf: Under Fire by Tom Clancy; Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee

Finding poems for people used to be one of the things on which we spent lots and lots of reference time. For these two poems, I used our online database Granger's Index to Poetry which has thousands upon thousands of poems and poets at your fingertips. It is wonderful!! Just go to our website www.frionalibrary.org and click on Granger's Index to Poetry. First time users will need your library card number and pin. Check it out!!

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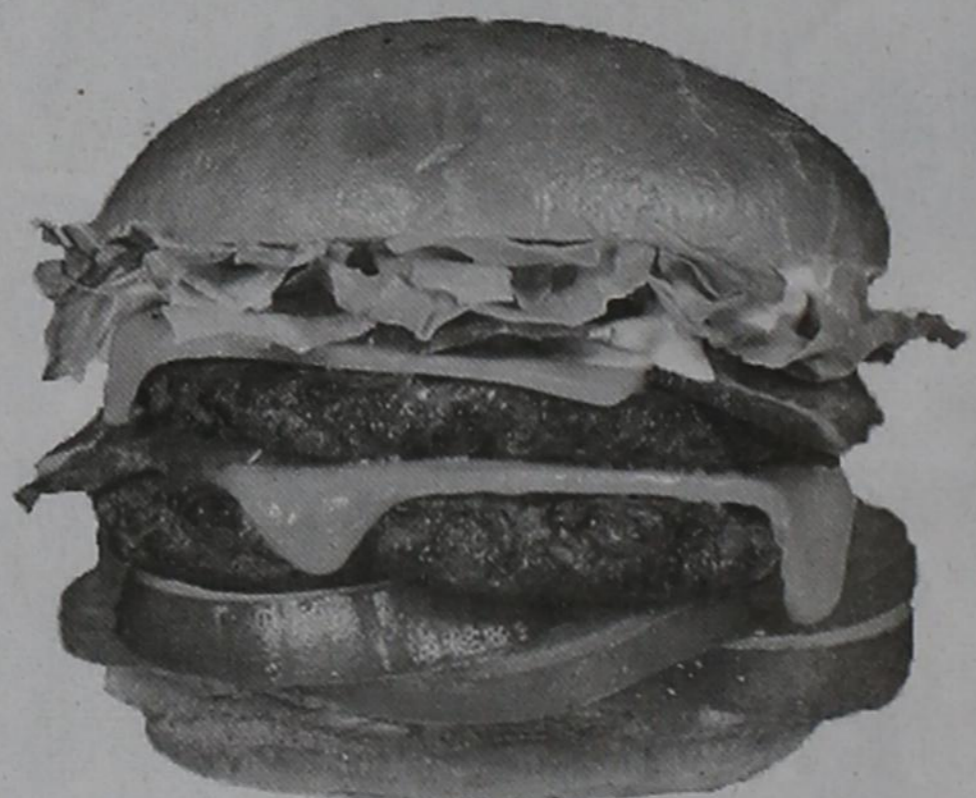
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| 8:00 a.m. | Orientation, Rules & Food Safety Presentation |
| 8:30 a.m. | Vendor Set up |
| 11:00 a.m. | Judging begins-Entrants #'s drawn upon arrival will determine when the cheeseburgers will be judged |
| 11:00 a.m. | Motorcycle & Car Show Registration |
| 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. | Public sale of cheeseburgers |
| 1:00 p.m. | Cheeseburger Eating Contest |
| 2:00 p.m. | Winners of Cook-off and Car Show announced |

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Daughters of the Republic of Texas turn over Alamo

Friday, July 10, 2015, marked the end of the 110-year management by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas (DRT) of the Alamo Shrine. After Friday, the state of Texas will take full control of the property of the Alamo and its expenses.

"Bittersweet is the word that comes to mind," said Betty Edwards, M.D., President General of the DRT. "Our organization cherishes its 110-year history as managers of the symbol of Texas as independence, but recognizes a greater role from the state is required to address the ever-increasing needs of the structure. Finally, that day has arrived."

In response to the call of DRT members Clara Driscoll, Adina de Zavala and other women who called for the rescue of the decayed and neglected site of the 1836 battle, in 1905 the Texas Legislature named the Daughters of the Republic of Texas as the custodians of the Alamo. The efforts of these women and the generations of leaders who followed in their footsteps have made the Alamo one of the world's most important historical destinations. This week that was affirmed by the UNESCO World Heritage Committee naming the Alamo and the San Antonio missions as a World Heritage Site.

"Since the Daughters were named custodians of the Alamo, we have had 25 governors, 22 lieutenant governors, 14 land commissioners and thousands of state legislators," noted Dr. Edwards. "While our elected officials have come and gone, we have remained steadfast and unwavering in our commitment to preserving this special piece of Texas history. With no significant state support over these years, it has been a burden we willingly and proudly carried, but many in our organization always believed the state should be sharing in the responsibility of maintaining the site."

At 5:00 p.m. on Friday, members of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas will gather in front of the Alamo for a brief ceremony to mark their last day as managers of the historic site. Although the DRT will no longer be caretakers of the Alamo Shrine, President General Edwards said the organization "will remain there in spirit forever."

The transition, though long-awaited by the DRT, was not without controversy. Land Commissioner George P. Bush and the GLO made statements in announcing an end to the DRT's Alamo presence that the organization says were not accurate.

Shortly after his announcement, Bush's office then expressed intent to take ownership of the vast majority of the library collection the DRT has amassed and preserved since 1950. The collection is located in a separate facility on the grounds. In response to the state's actions, the Daughters filed a lawsuit on March 23, 2015, in Bexar County to block the GLO's efforts to take the DRT library collection.

"It is time to move forward," Dr. Edwards concluded. "The state has the resources to maintain the Alamo Shrine in the respectful manner in which it should be preserved. The DRT will keep a watchful eye, and we will continue our role in the preservation of the history of the state we love."



dana jameson photo

Parmer County VFW Post 206 celebrated their four Boys' and Girls' State winners on Monday, July 13. Attending Girls' State were Esme Hernandez of Bovina and Jasmine Rodriguez of Friona. Josue Ojeda of Friona and Keith Kalbas of Farwell attended Boys' State. The trip is sponsored by the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary and funded by the United Way. The winners participated in the learned by doing program which introduces city, county and state government as well as involving them in political parties and legislative sessions. Pictured are, l-r, Esme Hernandez, Christene Mann, Jasmine Rodriguez, Jose Ojeda, Commander Bill Dannheim, and Keith Kalbas.

July 2015 county tax receipts lower

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their July local sales tax allocations totaling \$609.8 million, which represents an increase of 1.2 percent compared to July 2014.

Hegar also said today that state sales tax revenue in June was \$2.2 billion, down 1.4 percent compared to June 2014.

"This slight decline was expected due to the slowdown in the oil and gas mining sector, and is in line with the biennial revenue estimate presented in January," Hegar said. "Receipts from the construction, information, restaurant and services sectors continued to grow, however, which is a testament to Texas' diverse and dynamic economy."

This marks the first decline in state

sales tax revenue following 62 consecutive months of growth.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in May by businesses that report tax quarterly.

Parmer County will receive a net payment of \$45,440, which is a decrease of -25.23 percent from the payment in the 2014 comparable period in which the county received \$60,773. To-date payments total \$368,522, which is an increase of -5.06 percent over the 2014 payments of \$388,170.

Bovina will receive a payment of \$9,833, which is an increase of 12.93 percent as compared to the 2014 payment \$8,707. To-date Bovina has received \$74,386, which is an increase of 3.53 percent from the 2014 payments of \$71,847.

Farwell will receive a payment of

\$9,084, which is a decrease of -29.13 percent as compared to the 2014 payment of \$12,818. To-date Farwell has received \$73,756, which is an increase of 3.72 percent over the 2014 payments of \$71,108.

Friona will receive a payment of \$26,533, which is a decrease of -32.42 percent as compared to the 2014 payment of \$39,248. To-date Friona has received \$220,380, which is a decrease of -10.12 percent over the 2014 payments of \$245,215.

For details of July sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/allotsum/compsum.html.

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Junior high summer drama cast and crew

The junior high summer drama play is "A Doctor in Spite of Himself", set in France in 1600. The director is Joy Morton, assisted by Haden Smiley. Crew members are Hollee Ratliff, Sunny Bowden, Katherine Thompson, and Charlotte Goddard. Costumes by Gay Taylor, Karen Renner, Jenny Riethmayer, and Amber Bonds.

The cast in order of appearance is: Kayli Stone, Adaline White, Noah Houston, Mariah Rivera, Riley Davidson, Drew Montana, Carly Drake, Rebecca Schlenker, Autumn Fletcher, Kylee Sifuentes, Charlotte Goddard, Lucas Dickson, Mia Bonds, Colton Riethmayer, Brayden Lewis, Bryce Lewis, and Alex Guerra.

The junior high summer drama play is "A Doctor in Spite of Himself." The cast and crew were hard at work in rehearsals this week. They perform for the public at 6:00 p.m. Friday July 17, followed by the high school play. Ticket are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. There will be a pie supper between performances.



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The elementary summer drama workshop play is "Dorothy in Wonderland." They were hard at work in rehearsal earlier this week. They will perform for the public at 6:00 p.m. Saturday July 18. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Elementary cast and crew ready to perform

The elementary summer drama workshop play, "Dorothy in Wonderland" is under the direction of Allison Johnston with assistance of Hollee Ratliff, Sunny Bowden, Samantha Campbell, Brooklyn Johnston, Casey Bowden, and Mary Kate Ratliff.

Crew members include Haden Smiley, Lydia Alexander, and Mia Bonds. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends all contributed to help with costumes.

der of appearance, is: Brylie Sandlin, Grayson Gutierrez, Cameron Renner, Kamryn Riethmayer, Cason Procter, Carter Gilley, Grace Stadler, David Goddard, Aubree Arzola, Ellis Warsaw, Shelby Lewellen, Anahi Gonzalez, Trinity Black, Caleb Geske, Kiya Eddins, Kimberly Eddins.

Xavier Guerra, Nicole Guerra, Breanna Rivera, Sfrona Procter, Amy Montana, Elaina Procter, Reese Stowers, Yeslie Faudoa, Jarrett White, AJ London,

Foster Gilley, Reyna Arias, Brooklyn Simmons, Kitzy Welch, Lily Belle Simmons, Laly Arzola.

Suzanne Goddard, Yosefine Faudoa, Vana Stanberry, Taylor Campos, Presley Procter, Lawson Sandlin, Bryer Stanberry, Kaysen Stanberry, Porter Gilley, Harley London, Johadry Villacana

The play is in two acts. Time is 6:00 p.m. Saturday July 18 in the high school auditorium. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

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Cargill Meat Solutions will be serving FREE hamburgers starting at 7:30 p.m.

Lots of fun activities including:

5K run sponsored by the Bovina Lion's Club at 7:30 p.m.

Dunking booth, tug of war and horseshoe pitch-8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Salsa Cook-off judged by the NewsChannel 10 team

St. Ann's Catholic Church will perform traditional Mexican dances

Free NewsChannel 10 T-shirts

COME OUT AND MAKE BOVINA SHINE!

Bovina Chamber readies to host Newschannel 10 By Don Spring

Final plans are being made by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to host Newschannel 10's Summer Celebration in the Park on Monday, July 20. The news team will be arriving in Bovina at about 4 p.m. and the festivities will get under way. The celebrities will meet and greet the local citizens and prepare for the newscasts which will begin at 6 p.m.

After the newscast, free T-shirts will be given out and the Newschannel 10 team will sign them if requested.

A 5K run will start at 7:30 p.m. sponsored by the Bovina Lion's Club. "Doppler" Dave Oliver, the popular Channel 10 weather guy, will be in the run so come and give him some competition.

Games will take place from 8 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. with a dunking booth, tug of war and horseshoe pitch.

Ali Allison will ride the

dancing pony and the kid's from St Ann's Catholic Church will perform traditional Mexican dances. A Salsa cook-off will be held so make up a lot of your favorite recipe and enter the contest. The Newschannel 10 team will judge so give the recipe a little extra effort.

Cargill Meat Solutions will be making free hamburgers starting about 7:30 p.m.

A bucket will be passed around for the dollar winner. Everyone who wants can put a dollar bill or any denomination into the bucket after writing his name on it and after the 10 o'clock news cast a dollar will be drawn out and the name on the dollar wins the entire contents of the bucket.

The Bovina football team and Coach Hector Guevara will be interviewed by Matt Hamilton and Adam Pages. They have vowed to pull the coaches into the sand in

the tug of war. Then we say goodbye to the news team about 11 o'clock after a promise from them to return to Bovina.

This is a golden opportunity for Bovina to shine in the eyes of the rest of the Texas Panhandle and Eastern New Mexico and Oklahoma Panhandle. We hope you will come early and stay late to show your support of Bovina and your thanks to Newschannel 10. Be loud but behave and above all have a wonderful time.

This is proving to be a banner summer for celebration in Bovina. St. Ann's Catholic Church will be hosting a Jamaica on Sunday, July 26, and the annual Bull Town Days Celebration will be on Saturday August 1, We hope you will have a lot of fun in Bovina in the coming weeks so stay aware of the activities offered to you.

DPS reminds Texans about dangers of children of leaving in vehicles

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) reminds Texans about the dangerous potential for vehicular heatstroke in summer months when a child is left alone in a vehicle. Every year, children die from heatstroke after being left in a vehicle or entering a vehicle unnoticed.

"Children should never be left unattended in a vehicle regardless of the weather; however especially in warmer temperatures, the likelihood of serious injury or death increases exponentially when a child - or anyone - remains in a hot vehicle for too long," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "DPS is continuing to urge parents, caretakers and the public to do their part to prevent vehicular heatstroke by never leaving a child inside a vehicle without an adult present, and by notifying emergency personnel if they see a child alone in a car."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, temperatures inside a car can rise more than 20 degrees in only 10 minutes; and even with an outside temperature of 60 degrees, the temperature inside a car can reach 110 degrees. Leaving windows partially rolled down does not help. In addition, young children are particularly at risk since their bodies heat up

faster than an adult. DPS offers the following tips for preventing vehicular heatstroke deaths and injuries:

- Always check the back seats of your vehicle before walking away.
- Establish reminders that help ensure you remove children from the vehicle. For example: leave your bag, lunch or cell phone in the back seat with the child's car seat.
- Call 9-1-1 if you see a child alone in a car, and emergency personnel will instruct you what to do next.
- If a child goes missing, open the doors and trunks to every vehicle in the area. One-third of all of the deaths occur when a child accesses a parked car unnoticed.
- Teach children not to play in vehicles and make sure to place the keys out of reach when not being used.

For more information, visit www.safecar.gov/parents/index.htm.

Pets are also susceptible heat-related injuries and death if left unattended in a vehicle. For more information on how to protect your pets from heatstroke, visit http://www.humanesociety.org/animals/resources/tips/help-dog-in-hot-car.html?credit=web_id353383049.

Texas Prepaid Tuition Program enrollment deadline approaches

The deadline is July 31 for Texas families to enroll their newborns in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund® and avoid future increases in tuition and school-wide required fees at Texas public colleges and universities. Newborns are children younger than one year at the time of enrollment.

The Texas Tuition Promise Fund, the state's prepaid college tuition program, allows participants to lock in the cost of undergraduate tuition and school-wide required fees at Texas public colleges

and universities based on current prices.

"I know parents and families all over Texas are concerned about rising tuition costs and are looking for some peace of mind when it comes to college opportunities for their children," Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "That's why it's more important than ever to start planning early and consider enrolling your newborn in this program."

Under the plan, families can purchase tuition units to pay for all or part of tuition and school-wide required fees at Texas public colleges and universities. Enrollment at 2014-15 prices closed Feb. 28 for children older than one. The next annual enrollment period begins on Sept. 1 and is based on Texas public college tuition and school-wide required fees for the 2015-16 school year. Complete plan information, current prices, enrollment forms and more are available online at TuitionPromise.org, or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

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Senior Health Fair

Thursday, July 23 11am to 1pm

Friona Senior Citizen's Building 1410 Washington

PARTICIPANTS: Parmer Medical Center, Friona Rural Health Clinic, Heritage Estates, Prairie Acres, Blue Bonnet Hospice and Home Health, Parmer County Cancer Coalition, Bi-Wize Pharmacy and EMS

LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES

ASSORTED FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS

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July 18, 2015
Friona City Park
11:30 am - 2:00 pm**